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SUBJECT:AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL REPORT

1. PRINTED VERSION OF AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL (AI) REPORT O  
MISSION TO PHILIPPINES PUBLICLY RELEASED SEPT 15 DURING  
HEARINGS OF FRASER SUBCOMMITTEE. COPY OF REPORT AND PRE-  
PARED STATEMENT BY AI WITNESS THOMAS JONES POUCHED SEPT 16

2. AI REPORT AS PRINTED BASICALLY SAME AS VERSION LEAKED  
IN MANILA IN JULY. MINOR CHANGES INCLUDE ADDITION OF TWO  
CASE HISTORIES (CARINO SISTERS). PRINTED REPORT ALSO  
CONTAINS PREFACE DATED JULY 23 OVER SIGNATURE AI SEC GEN  
ENNALES BRIEFLY SUMMARIZING HISTORY OF AI MISSION, ITS  
FINDINGS, COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN AI AND GOP, SUCH STEPS  
TAKEN AND PRONOUNCEMENTS MADE BY GOP TO THAT DATE WHICH  
KNOWN TO AI, AND AI EVALUATION THEREOF. PREFACE STATES  
THAT WIDE SCALE ARRESTS AND REPORTS OF TORTURE HAVE CON-  
TINUED SINCE MISSION VISIT, AND CONCLUDES IT CANNOT BE SAI  
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WITH ANY CONFIDENCE THAT GOP AUTHORITIES HAVE TAKEN ADEQUA

STEPS TO BRING BEFORE COURTS MILITARY MEN AGAINST WHOM THERE ARE STRONG GROUNDS FOR BELIEVING THEY CRIMINALLY EMPLOYED TORTURE. APPENDICES TO REPORT CONTAIN (A) TEXT JULY 30 LETTER FROM ENNALS ASSURING MARCOS AI NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR PRESS LEAKS AND ANNOUNCING DECISION TO PUBLISH REPORT IN VIEW OF LEAKS, (B) TEXT OF OFFICIAL STATEMENT BY ENRILE STATED TO HAVE BEEN RELEASED BY PHIL CONGEN SAN FRANCISCO IN MID-JULY (NOT PREVIOUSLY KNOWN TO US) WHICH CRITICAL OF AI AND ITS CONCLUSIONS, (C) ADDED CASE HISTORY OF DR. ROGER POSADAS, AND (D) EXCHANGES OF TELEGRAMS AND CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN ENNALS AND SOLICITOR GENERAL MENDOZA IN PERIOD LATE JULY TO MID AUGUST.

3. PREPARED STATEMENT BY JONES SUMMARIZED AI FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS, EMPHASIZING THAT AI HAS STILL NOT RECEIVED AN OFFICIAL SUBSTANTIVE RESPONSE FROM GOP. IN COURSE PRESENTATION OF STEPS AI UNDERSTANDS GOP HAS TAKEN, JONES NOTED EXTEMPORANEOUSLY HE HAD JUST RECEIVED INFORMATION ON COURT MARTIAL OF FOUR PC MEMBERS AND NEW INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING SAFEHOUSES. AT CONCLUSION HIS STATEMENT, JONES REITERATED AND QUOTED BASIC AI CONCLUSION THAT "EVIDENCE ESTABLISHES A CONSISTENT PATTERN OF GROSS VIOLATIONS OF INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED HUMAN RIGHTS" PLUS OTHER PORTIONS OF FINAL SECTION OF REPORT.

4. SPECIFIC POINTS BROUGHT OUT UNDER QUESTIONING INCLUDED: (A) STRONG JONES STATEMENT ON LEHMAN CASE IN WHICH JONES EXPRESSED BELIEF THAT CONGRESS AND EXECUTIVE BRANCH SHOULD TAKE "REAL INTEREST" IN LEHMAN'S RELEASE, AND (B) ASSERTION THAT COLONEL IN CHARGE OF ONE OF WORST DETENTION CAMPS WAS NOT PRESENT DURING AI MISSION VISIT BECAUSE HE ABROAD RECEIVING U.S. TRAINING. JONES CLARIFIED HE DID NOT MEAN TO IMPLY A LINK BETWEEN U.S. MILITARY ASSISTANCE AND TORTURE BUT ASSERTED THAT "MANY OF THESE PEOPLE" ARE U.S. TRAINED.

5. SEPTTEL FOLLOWS ON LEHMAN CASE. HABIB

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